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Community Research

U-Links celebrates 30 years of connecting students with projects in the Haliburton Highlands. See page 2.

Get Active

Canadians aren't the most active population, but there are resources to balance rest with physical activity. See page 5.

Rob Lutes

New Brunswick folk musician to play show at Lochlin Community Centre. See page 10.

Christmas Open House

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop is hosting an open house Sunday, Dec. 1 at noon including a Christmas bake sale, refreshments, harpist Marie Watson and wheelbarrow of wine draw (at 1 p.m.). /File photo

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Reflecting on 30 years of Community-Based Research

MYSTAYA TOUW
U-Links Research Associate

The U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research has a rich, 30-year history in Haliburton County. Although they are located in a small storefront office in downtown Minden, a lot of people don't know that they are there. Behind their front door lies a small office space, a few dedicated staff, and a proven ability to make a difference. What you do not see from a glance at their office are their multiple community partners, connections to students and faculty at Trent University and Fleming College, their national and international connections, all the research they have facilitated over the years, and all the possibilities U-Links represents.

U-Links is a non-profit community-based initiative that was born out of existing community-campus partnerships dating back to 1989. These involved work placements and the now-retired bioregionalism course at Trent University. Around the same time, community-based research partnerships were also growing between Trent and its home community of Peterborough through the efforts of Trent Centre for Community-Based Education – today the Trent Community Research Centre (TCRC). The TCRC has been internalized at Trent University and focused on the Peterborough area, and U-Links remains independent of Trent, rooted in the community as a program of the Haliburton County Community Co-operative. Today, U-Links facilitates research between Trent University and Fleming College and local community organizations in Haliburton County. Research projects span environmental, economic, social, and cultural areas of study and are presented annually in March at the Celebration of Research event in Minden.

Roshelle and Ankit on Kawagama Lake working on the calcium decline project. /Photo submitted

U-Links helps local community organizations to develop research project proposals based on community needs that are then promoted to students and staff at Trent University and Fleming College. Most of the projects are aimed at senior undergraduate students, but some can be matched as graduate projects. Projects are then completed by the students for academic credit under the supervision of faculty, the community host organization, and U-Links staff.

Project highlights from this past academic year (2018-2019) include the Calcium Decline, Impacts and Potential Mitigation Efforts in Kawagama Lake project completed by Trent University Environmental Science students under the supervision of Dr. Shaun Watmough, and the Municipality of Dysart's Plastics

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HGTV looking for vacation properties

DARREN LUM
County Life Staff

Haliburton and area residents are being asked by HGTV star Scott McGillivray to be part of filming for the second season of his show, *Scott's Vacation House Rules*. He is looking for 10 unique vacation properties located in Haliburton and the surrounding area for the show's second season. /Barbara Banks Photography.

Haliburton and area residents are being asked by HGTV star Scott McGillivray to be part of filming for the second season of his show, *Scott's Vacation House Rules*.

Premiering spring 2020 on HGTV, the show needs 10 unique vacation properties located in Haliburton and area, whether it's a cottage, farmhouse, boathouse or ski lodge.

McGillivray said the team is looking for "Vacation properties that are epic in their foundation, but need som e tender love and care to reach their full income potential," in an email to County Life.

Residents interested in being part of the filming must own the property, hoped to be converted "into a killer, money-making, vacation rental."

Among the other listed eligibility requirements for participants is that they must be available four to five days over a period of eight to 10 weeks for filming.

"We're doing our best to showcase these areas as prime vacation destinations which includes showing off the areas and activities nearby to the property," McGillivray wrote.

Local contractors, designers and artisans familiar with the area are expected to be used for these projects. There is no airing date as of now.

McGillivray said, "I've made a career out of generating income from real estate properties and I've been on a mission to share that with HGTV viewers for over 10 years now and not one to quit while I'm ahead, I am ready to take on a whole new set of properties and help owners make the best renovation decisions to help generate some long term wealth!"

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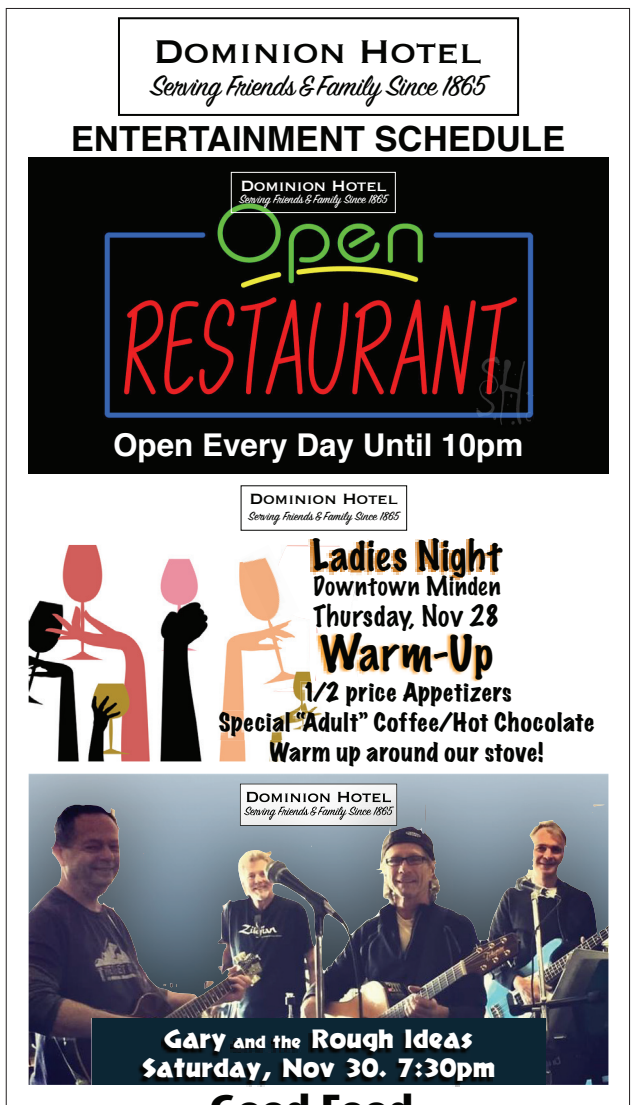

Research projects lead to next steps

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Reduction Challenge project completed by Fleming College students under instructor Phil Jensen.

Calcium is an essential nutrient for both land and water ecosystems. Its availability and abundance are affected by acid rain, timber harvesting, and forest regrowth. The calcium decline project was completed for the Kawagama Lake Cottagers' Association (KLCA) by Trent School of the Environment students. The resulting report, complete with high-quality original graphics, details the current state of calcium in Kawagama Lake, probable causes for decline, and some interventions the KLCA could consider in more detail moving forward.

KLCA vice-president and fisheries chair Adam Pifko said the lake association has "been able to leverage this information to improve communications with our members on this issue and provide additional guidance on what individual property owners can do in the short term to address this issue." They also look forward to working with U-Links in the future on follow up projects investigating long-term, larger scale interventions.

Mallory Bishop, environmental co-ordinator for the Municipality of Dysart et al, said students from Fleming College's Sustainable Waste Management Program created a comprehensive report in 2019 for their Plastics Reduction Challenge research proposal that "was extremely well-received in the community and provided a detailed roadmap in our efforts to reduce single-use plastic in our municipality." Their report included research on consumer behaviour, potential education and communication strategies for single-use plastic reduction and provided recommendations for a potential plastic water bottle ban in municipal spaces. These recommendations were well-informed by lessons learned and best practices from other communities, including Bayfield, a community that has been deemed "plastic-free."

Interest from the Plastics Reduction Challenge Report also resulted in an invitation from the Municipal Waste Association for Bishop and U-Links program coordinator Amanda Duncombe-Lee to speak about the project and municipal/university partnerships at the Municipal Waste Association workshop in Lindsay on Oct. 22.

Past U-Links community-based research projects have also been instrumental in supporting the efforts of local organizations such as Abbey Gardens and the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. Over the years multiple projects have been completed through Abbey Gardens including two composting projects, accompanied by a demonstration site on the Abbey Gardens property. The first project, completed in 2012, was the Abbey Gardens Waste Management project that investigated the potential for diverting organic waste from Haliburton County to Abbey Gardens to be composted. This was followed by the Options for Composting at Abbey Gardens project in 2013 that researched options for composting systems and recommended a project plan. Students also worked on projects to develop educational signage, trail maps, and event plans for Abbey Gardens.

Last year, the HKPR health unit undertook three research projects relating to the mental health impacts of climate change and a policy scan to review current municipal policies within the district.

An exciting project for U-Links this coming year is the commencement of the Benthos Biomonitoring Project. The pilot project addresses the increasing need from local lake associations for benthic macroinvertebrate biomonitoring, which refers to the systematic collection, identification, and analysis of small aquatic animals that live on the bottom of water bodies. The biodiversity of the collected samples is then analyzed and used to provide information about lake health. The project is a growing initiative U-Links has been developing with six local lake associations and faculty and students from Trent University's School of the Environment and the School of Environmental and Natural Resources Studies at Fleming College. U-Links plans to expand the project to several more lakes in the spring and welcomes inquiries from interested lake associations.

Other project highlights for this fall include the Investigation into Plastic Consumption and Alternatives project hosted by the Haliburton County Farmers' Market Association, which will investigate current plastic use at the markets as well as opportunities and barriers for single-use plastic reduction, and the Youth Retention and Engagement in Minden Hills project which builds on a local community consultation done with U-Links and the Township of Minden Hills last spring. The latter study will examine factors contributing to youth out-migration in the county as well as existing and potential strategies for youth retention.

For more information about the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research and their projects, please visit their website (ulinks.ca). If you have a research idea that you think U-Links can help with, contact Amanda Duncombe-Lee, program coordinator, at aduncombe-lee@ulinks.ca. Please note project ideas for the 2020 winter academic term can be proposed before the new year.

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Days

By Deborah J Reed

Online resource helps get kids active

Too much sitting and not enough time spent in motion has led ParticipACTION, a non-profit that promotes healthy living, to give Canadian adults a D grade for activity levels. Canadian children received a D+.

In light of these reports, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is reminding residents of how important activity is to overall health.

"We know people at all ages and stages of life face challenges from sitting too long or spending too much time in front of screens," says Lisa Kaldeway, a health promoter with health unit. "That said, there are many good reasons – and resources available – to help us change our lifestyles so we sit less… and sweat, step and stretch more each day."

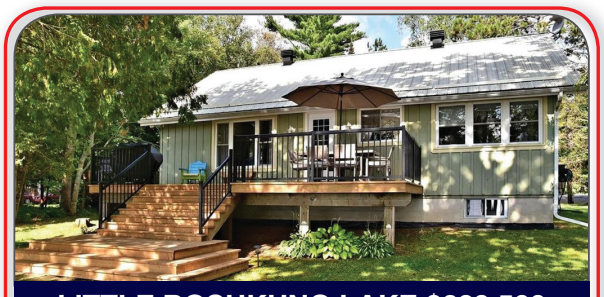
Physical activity gives people energy, decreases stress, increases strength and can keep older adults independent in their homes for longer. It also helps reduce the risk of chronic diseases such as heart disease, diabetes and some cancers, the Kaldeway says.

Guidelines to get moving are available at buildyourbestday.ca including for children up to age four and another for children between the ages of five and 17. They encourage a balance between sitting, being active and sleeping and includes fact sheets, activity posters and games.

The website is also useful for those 65 and older.

"Being active is good for our health, no matter what our age," Kaldeway said. "It's important that we not overdo it, but instead build up slowly to reach an activity level that is comfortable and appropriate for us."

Staff



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Land trust protecting our natural world

IT'S A BAD news environment all around us. Australia, California and the Amazon are burning. Venice is flooding and glaciers everywhere are melting.

It's overwhelming, so I decide to take a ride through our spectacular Haliburton County landscape, which so far has escaped the worst miseries of our changing planet.

My ride takes me into Haliburton Village and the offices of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. There is good news here. Positive news about volunteer work being done to protect and conserve lands that have natural, historic and cultural value.

JIM POLING SR

The Haliburton Highlands Land Trust, or HHLT as it is sometimes called, is a volunteer, not-for-profit group dedicated to protecting our land for future generations. It is one of 32 local land trusts in Ontario.

I didn't know much about land trusts before visiting the HHLT office, but the folks there filled me in.

The land trust, founded officially in 2005, has roughly 1,300 acres it protects and conserves. It also conducts programs on some of these lands to help people learn more about and enjoy nature. It also is involved in education and research, some of which has received world attention.

The public will have an opportunity to visit the HHLT offices and learn for themselves during an open house scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 5. The trust will announce its 2019 Enviro-Hero award winners that day and will provide apple cider and snacks during the afternoon program.

Two of the trust's most important conservation properties are Dahl Forest, a 500-acre tract straddling the Burnt River just south of Gelert, and Barnum Creek nature reserve, a 500-acre tract just a few minutes drive southwest of Haliburton Village.

Dahl Forest was donated to the HHLT in 2009 by the Dahl family. It is open to the public for hiking, bird watching, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. It is home to many rare and at-risk species representative of Haliburton County.

Barnum Creek is a more recent acquisition, donated last year by the Dobrzensky family. The Dobrzensky family also have established a 100-acre conservation easement adjacent the donated property.

The property is said to be an excellent example of the diversity of ecosystems in Haliburton Highlands ranging from wetlands to forests. It is a component of a natural landscape that is home to some species at risk, including Blanding's turtle, the whip-poor-will and five lined skink, a type of lizard.

It is not open to the general public yet because some work, such as erecting a kiosk at the property entrance, still needs to be done.

"We are almost there but still have a few things to do," says Mary-Lou Gerstl, the HHLT chair. "Our hope is that spring 2020 we would open."

Another property is the 22-acre Norah's Island in Kennisis Lake. It was donated to HHLT by Bruce Carruthers to honour the memory of his late wife Norah.

The island is considered "one of the last vestiges of intact representative wilderness" on Kennisis. Its interior has a low and wet area that has several rare species of orchids, including the round-leafed orchid.

Land donations are important to HHLT's work. Donations can be made through the federal ecological gifts program in which the donors receive income tax benefits. Donated land must be have been conserved in its natural state or have good potential for rehabilitation and needs to be certified ecologically sensitive.

The land trust is working on its programs for next year, such as Discovery Days programs, which this year included a nighttime owl prowl, a mushroom walk, a hike to learn about harvesting wild leeks and observing spring wildflowers and an evening of finding and observing moths.

It is planning a major membership drive because more member volunteers are needed to help maintain the trust's properties, get the word out to more people about its work and to help with fundraising efforts.

"Fundraising is always a big part of our work," says Gerstl.

Although the trust's lands are donated, the trust must spend time and money to keep them maintained. Trails must be maintained summer and winter, and there is a variety of other upkeep – trail signs, maps and entrance kiosks. Some grassland areas have to mowed to ensure that overgrowth does not endanger any species at risk that occupy the area. Also, there are taxes to be paid and the lands must be insured because they are used for education programs for the public.

Education and research are an important part of HHLT work. In 2015 the trust, with partners, began a three-year turtle project to reduce turtle kills on roads. It designed a data collection system and a barrier and culvert system to direct turtles under a road instead of crossing over it.

The project was so successful that it attracted attention in the United States and southeast Asia.

Mary-Lou Gerstl says the trust expects to have more news on its work and its 2020 programs in time for the **Dec. 5 open house, which will be held 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the HHLT offices at 739 Mountain Street.**

Top 10 things that won't help you when the Internet is down

AS HARD AS it is for most people to believe, there is life after the internet. It's just not a very entertaining one.

I was reminded of this on the weekend when our internet went down briefly. During those grueling hours I learned that there are things that don't help you get through the ordeal. These are my top 10:

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. Yelling at Siri.
2. Looking for the Kardashians in your old encyclopedia set.
3. Praying to Google.
4. Expecting friends to do internet searches for you.
5. Panicking.
6. Repeating, "I do not need to check Instagram."
7. Worrying about how there is now no one to counter all those trolls on Facebook.
8. Getting cryogenically frozen until it is up again.
9. Making statements that cannot be confirmed by a search.
10. Coat hanger antennas and tinfoil hats

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Singer and songwriter Rob Lutes is coming to the Lochlin Community Centre to share the magic that inspired him as a child to fall in love with music.

"The magic of how songs can within two to five minutes create a world and offer almost a transformative kind of experience, that always inspired me. I guess when I write I'm always trying to generate something like that. You know, bring people into a place or to a state of mind and then kind of all experience that together. That's what it's about," he said.

He is inspired in his songwriting by the likes of Canadian icon Leonard Cohen and Chris Smither, a great American blues artist. In great music, he said, you discover a little bit of yourself.

Lutes is originally from New Brunswick and reached out to the Haliburton County Folk Society about performing an intimate house concert on Dec. 6.

"Rob Lutes has steadily built a collection of exquisite songs that inhabit the intersection of blues, folk, Americana, and the contemporary singer-songwriter genre," an email from the folk society reads. He is a multiple award winner, winning the Canadian Folk Music Awards Contemporary Singer of the Year honours in 2018, the Kerrville New Folk award, multiple Maple Blues and CFMAs. He released his first album, *Gravity* in 2000.

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>
> —Rob Lutes

His concerts also feature him providing the story behind his songs.

Although some of his songs depict struggles, there is often a light, or hope that shines through, he said.

Lutes said he loves to play his guitar, particularly finger-style guitar playing.

He continues to improve his skills in this area. He recalls his effort to play the 1927 ragtime arrangement of *Ain't She Sweet* for a performance.

"That's really inspirational. Just how the guitar can ... you can play what you play, but there is always somewhere else to go," he said.

He wasn't sure if this will be ready for the Lochlin performance, but said guitar players will appreciate what he'll bring to the show.

This isn't the first time Lutes has been to the Highlands.

Last summer, he performed at the Haliburton Forest Festival.

His return in December coincides with a short tour that will include stops in Smith Falls and Trenton.

"I thought this would be the perfect time because I'm sort of going through the region and, yeah, I really liked it in there. It was my first time visiting Haliburton and that whole area and it was beautiful. I'm happy to go back," he said.

With children in elementary school, Lutes doesn't like to be on the road for too long. However when he is touring, he appreciates the opportunity it affords him, whether it's exploring the country or getting to meet people in communities he would not have otherwise discovered.

"That's what I love about music too is that I go to towns and meet people in towns, experience regions I would never necessarily come upon, if I wasn't in music. They're beautiful, but sometimes they're just off the beaten track. But a show will bring me there and you end up going back and going back. I feel like Haliburton is going to be one of those kind of places where music brought me there, but I'll probably keep coming back through the years," he said.

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 per person. Reserve your seat by emailing sueshikaze@gmail.com or call 705-457-0943.

See www.roblutes.com/home for more information about Lutes or on Spotify.

Singer/songwriter Rob Lutes will be performing at the Lochlin Community Centre on Friday, Dec. 6. The show begins 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $20 per person and can be purchased by calling 705-457-0943 or email sueshikaze@gmail.com. /Photo courtesy of Haliburton County Folk Society.

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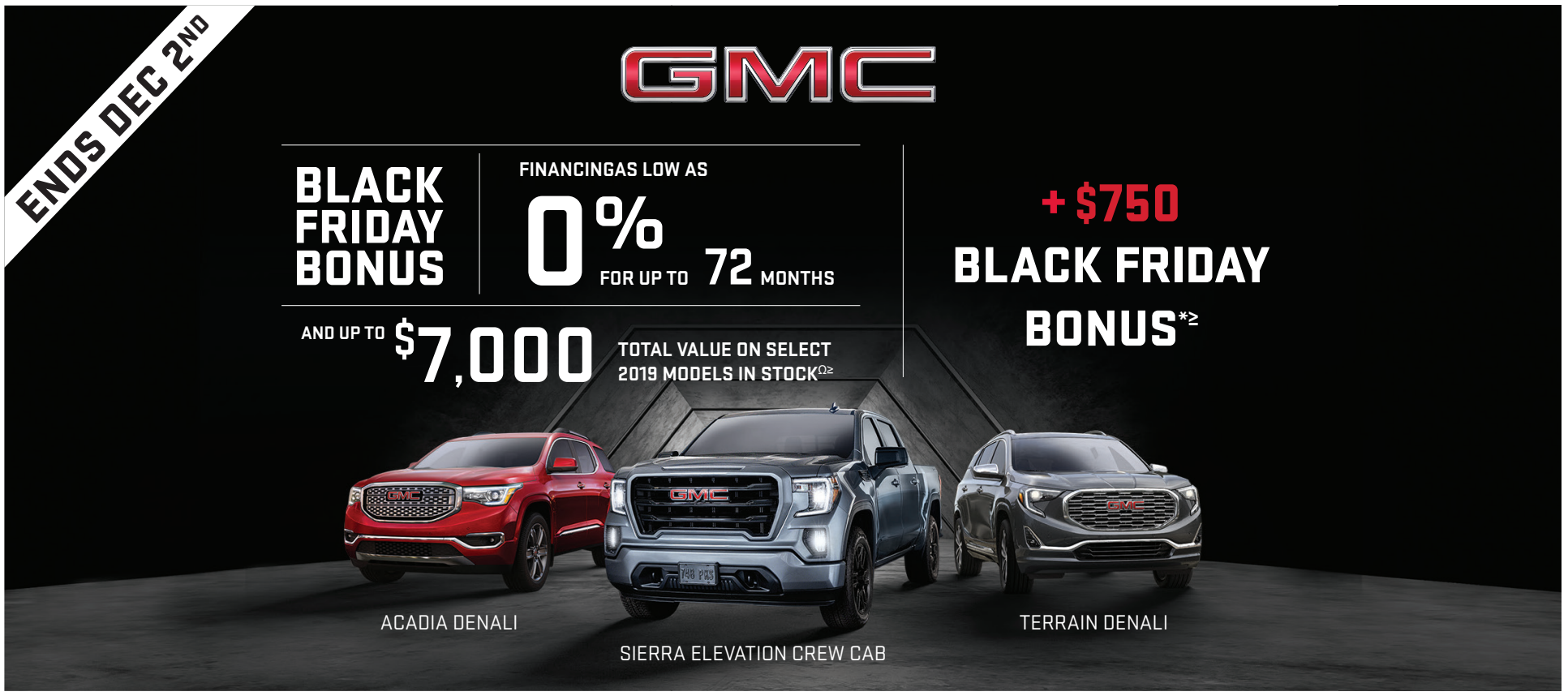
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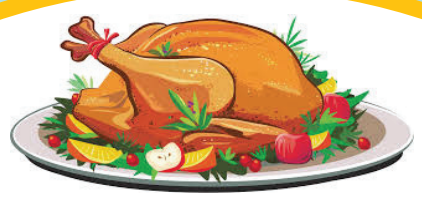

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The Sound of Music to return to Summer Festival

This year's Highlands Summer Festival will kick off with an incredibly popular offering: *The Sound of Music*. The beloved musical, set in Austria during the Second World War, will once again be staged in Haliburton starting June 29.

"Patrons will recall we presented the show in 2004," said Scot Denton, artistic producer, during an announcement on Nov. 17 at McKecks Tap and Grill. "It was such an overwhelming success then, we thought it was time to bring this inspiring, family-friendly musical back."

Maria, a nun searching for her place in the world, takes on the role of governess for a family of seven children living under the strict rules of widowed naval captain Von Trapp. Through the power of music and optimism, Maria begins to change the lives of everyone in the household, just as the Nazis begin their invasion of Austria.

> ***"This has to be one of the most crowd-pleasing musicals the world has ever enjoyed."***
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The *Sound of Music* sold out when it was first performed in Haliburton and organizers said they expect an equally enthusiastic response over the 10 performances.

"This has to be one of the most crowd-pleasing musicals the world has ever enjoyed," Denton said.

Next up will be another well-known and beloved production: *The Importance of Being Earnest*, a comedic play written by Oscar Wilde, first staged in 1895.

"The script is one of Wilde's best, full of wit, satire, comedy and a biting commentary on the mores and manners of Edwardian England," Denton said.

Highlands Summer Festival describes the play as "one of the cleverest comedies by one of the greatest writers in the English language. … Oscar Wilde's scintillating, hilarious work introduces us to Jack and Algernon, charming bachelors who are each living a double life, aided by a fictional alter ego called Ernest. But the two fall truly in love with a pair of proper young women, Gwendolen and Cecily – both of whom are partial to men named Ernest. Will Jack and Algy be able to bring an end to the charade and convince the formidable Lady Bracknell that they are suitable candidates for marriage?"

Following *The Importance of Being Earnes*t is *Lucien*, written and performed by Marshall Button. *Lucien* is an opinionated New Brunswick mill worker, a character developed by Button based on his experiences working in the paper mill in Dalhousie. Nearly 2,000 performances of *Lucien* have been staged across the country.

Every Brilliant Thing, by Duncan Macmillan and Jonny Donahoe, is scheduled to run July 27 to 31 and is an "uplifting play about depression and the lengths we will go for those we love," according to a press release. *The Guardian* called it "possibly one of the funniest plays you'll ever see" tackling tough topics around mental health and making those around us happy.

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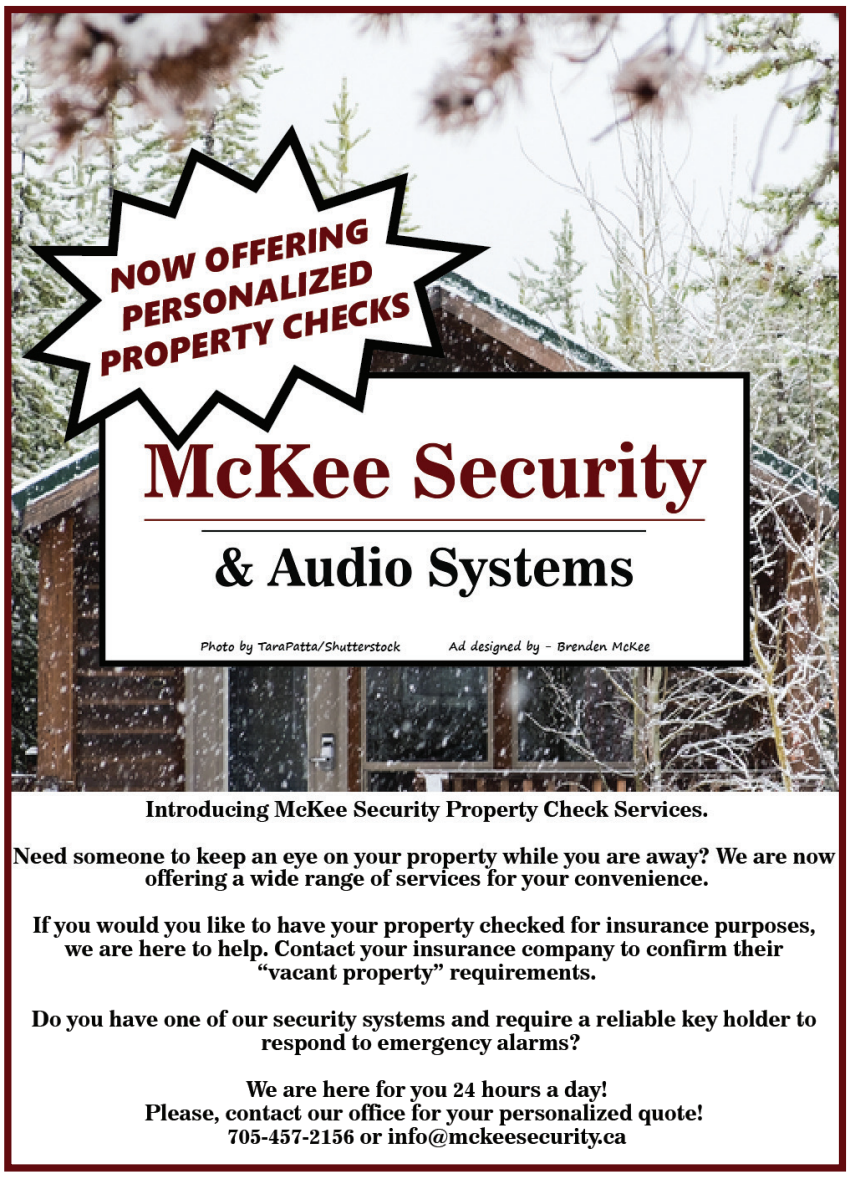

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Friday Every second week, Karaoke with Fred and Linda, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday Special Lunch every week with meat Draw at 1 p.m.
Sunday Sports Day 12 to 4:30 p.m.

Branch 624 Wilberforce

Friday Ham & Scalloped Dinner
Jam session 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Meat draw 2 p.m. Early bird 3 p.m. Sharp! If you come out offer to help sell tickets please!
Monday Bid Euchre 7 p.m. Beginner’s welcome.
Wednesday Fun Darts 7:30 p.m. Beginner’s welcome.
Tuesday Executive meeting 7p.m.
Wednesday Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome
Upcoming Events
Early bird membership renewal $45
Dec. 7- Looking for donations and volunteers for the Wild game dinner.
Saturday, Dec. 7, 5:30 to 7 p.m.
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Mondays: Bridge every Monday at 1 p.m.
Tuesday Night Dart League starting at 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start Bingo Doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. - $1,000 Jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.
Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start
Meat Draw Five Draws, Five Prizes each draw, First draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw - 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $2 per draw. Chester Howse, MC Friday fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards
Saturdays: 50/50 Draw 4 p.m. draw, Tickets are $1 each from noon onwards

Whether you’re planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at 705-457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129. Everyone is welcome!

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When: Thursday, Nov. 28, 12 - 2:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Legion
Cost: $30
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Christmas Luncheon, Bake Sale & Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop
When: Friday Nov. 29, starting at 11:30 a.m.
Where: Highland Hills United Church, 21 Newcastle Street, Minden, Lower Level
Lunch by Donation
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Highland Festival Singers, We need a little Christmas!
Directed by Melissa Stephens
When: Sunday, Dec. 1 at 3 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. Haliburton
Tickets: $15
General Admission. Available from Choir members, Cranberry Cottage or Minden Pharmasave
For tickets or information contact us at 705-457-4916

Kinmount Christmas Tree Lighting
When: Thursday, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m.
Where: Kinmount Railway Station
Carol singing, pictures with Santa, refreshments

Kinmount Christmas in the Village
When: Saturday, Dec. 7
Where: Kinmount
Pancake breakfast (free or by donation) at St. James Church from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Christmas market at the community centre, wagon rides, Kinney the Elf hunt, Legion Christmas party at 2 p.m. Christmas Music Night at Galway Hall at 7 p.m. with Frank and Chanda Leahy and Family with loonie auction and desserts. For tickets to the music night, call 705-488-2635

Christmas Luncheon
When: Friday, Dec. 6, 11:30 to 1:30 p.m.
Where: Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Road, Minden
Bucket draw, Santa squares, bake sale.
Admission by donation (Snow Date Dec. 7)

Santa's Workshop, Craft Sale & Luncheon
When: Saturday, Dec. 7, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce.
Shop unique items from area vendors.
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Fill the Cruiser Food Drive
When: Dec. 7 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
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Sat Dec.14 - Haliburton
Sun.Dec.15 - Young's Point
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Free Turkey Dinner
When: Sunday, Dec. 8
Where: West G Pizza, 1008 Andrews Court, West Guilford
Visit with Santa from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
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Contact: 705-754-9141

Wilberforce Santa Parade
When: Sunday, Dec. 8
Starts at the school at 12:30 p.m. and parades down main street to the Lloyd Watson Centre
Children 10 and under register at the door to receive a free picture with Santa and a present, candy bag, pop and hotdog
Contact Ruth Strong to participate, rstrong@highlandseast.ca

Highlands Wind Symphony, Christmas Concert
When: Dec. 8, 3 p.m.
Where: Northern Lights Pavilion, Haliburton
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Lochlin United Church Annual Community Old Fashioned Christmas Carol Sing Along
When: Wednesday, Dec. 11, 7:30 p.m.
Where: 1050 Lochlin Road off Gelert Road (County Road 1).
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Where: Medeba Dining Hall, 1270 Kennisis Lake Road
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Haliburton Lions Children's Christmas Party
When: Sunday, Dec. 15, 3 to 4:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church
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Details: For relatives and friends of problem drinkers. For more information call 1-888-425-2666

Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild
When: Second Wednesday of every month from 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: Stanhope Community Centre, 1095 North Shore Rd., Algonquin Highlands
Details: Meeting includes speakers holding trunk shows of their work, often covering new and interesting quilt and sewing techniques. Our group consists of quilters at all levels, who enjoy sharing and learning from each other. Check out our Facebook page or our web site: Facebook.com/haliburtonquilts or www.haliburtonhighlandsquiltguild.com
Contact: Connie Walker 905-439-5943 or haliburtonquilts@gmail.com

Haliburton Highlands Weaving and Spinning Guild Open Studios
Time: Every Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Place: Haliburton Veterinary Services Building – Back Entrance
No experience needed.
Contact: Pat @ 705-286-6042 or andreacoysh@gmail.com

Dorset Craft Connections Group
When: Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
$1 per person

Haliburton Region Shout Sister! Choir
When: Practices are held Thursday nights from 7 to 9 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, Fellowship Room, 10 George St., Haliburton.
Details: Directed by Laurel McCauley, Welcoming new members. We do not audition and learn our music by ear. All levels of singers are welcome. We sing a fun variety of music from pop and folk to Motown.

Table Tennis
When: Monday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Where: S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden
Cost is $3
Contact: Elisha Weiss, Community Development Coordinator, 705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

Bid Euchre
When: Thursday, and every third Sunday, afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden
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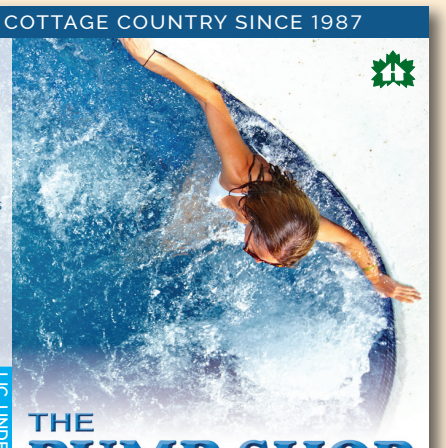

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Past president of the Highlands Summer Festival Jack Brezina holds the Lifetime Membership award he received for his 20 years at the helm of the Highlands Summer Festival board. Standing with Brezina on the left is Brian Kipping, president of the Highlands Summer Festival and Scot Denton, artistic producer of Highlands Summer Festival. Brezina received this special recognition at the 2020 Highlands Summer Festival playbill announcement at McKecks on Sunday, Nov. 17. / DAVID ZILSTRA Staff

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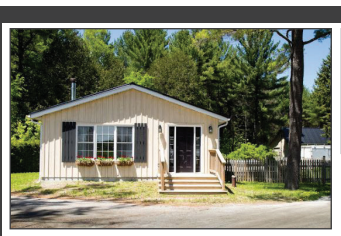

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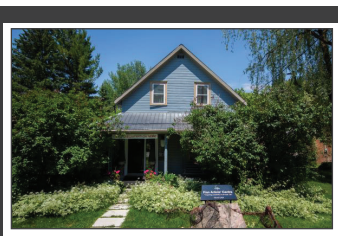

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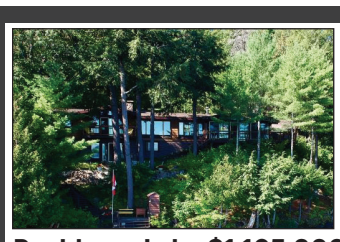

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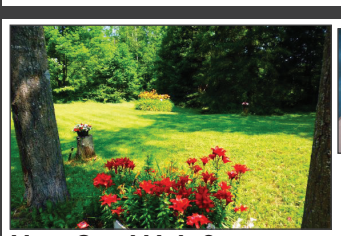

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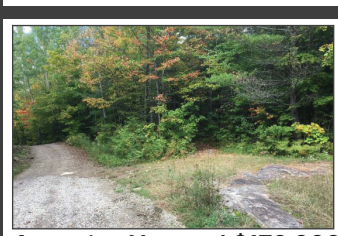

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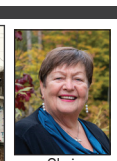

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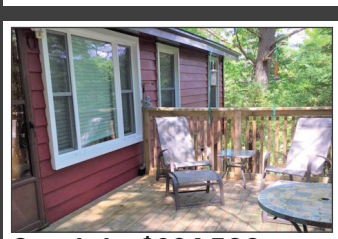

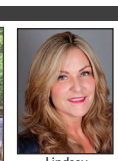

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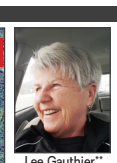

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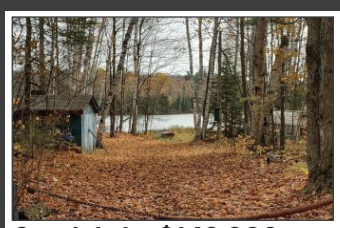

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286-2138 x 27

South Lake $149,000

- Beautiful waterfront lot!
- 118 feet frontage, level,
- Driveway in, hydro at line.
- Area of nicer homes & cottages.

Brandon Nimigon*
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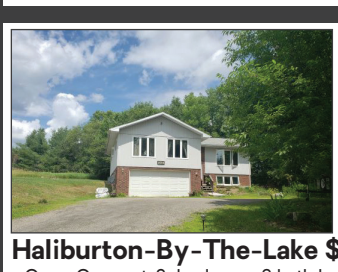
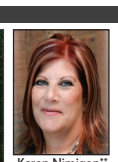
Redstone Lake $825,000

- Warm & inviting open concept interior
- 3 spacious bedrooms, full lower level
- Nestled on private 0.74-acre lot with 166' sand/rock shoreline





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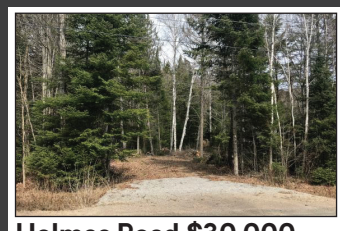

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Holmes Road $30,000

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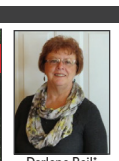

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Glamorgan Road $64,900

- 5.95 acres of nice hardwood bush with the driveway installed
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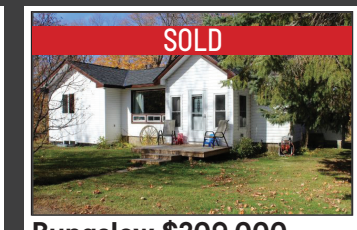
- Full unfinished basement, double garage
- Members only park & boat launch on 5-lk chain



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Juveniles win big
The Highlands Juvenile hockey team surprised many by winning their season opener.
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Solid show of support for hospital

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

If the Ministry of Health didn't get the message last Wednesday, it's doubtful it ever will.

That's the feeling of the organizers of the public meeting dealing with the expansion of the Haliburton Hospital.

In a solid show of community support, more than 500 people packed the gymnasium at the high school in Haliburton to tell provincial representatives how they feel about the delay in funding for the 18-bed chronic care facility.

John Eakins, MPP for Victoria-Haliburton, and three representatives from the Ministry of Health attended the public meeting to listen to concerns from the community.

And what they heard were testimonials from 22 different people, all calling for the province to make good on its 1986 commitment to partially fund construction of the chronic care facility.

The speakers came from across the county and represented doctors, the clergy, service clubs, municipalities, teachers and students. And although differing in style and content, all the speakers expressed a central theme: Haliburton County does not want another study, it wants the province to come through with the promised funding.

Eakins spoke briefly to the crowd before the presentations from the community began. He said it was encouraging to see so many people who care and are concerned about local health care services.

He stressed that he, along with the Ministry of Health representatives, were at the meeting to listen to the concerns and bring the comments they heard back to Queen's Park.

"I want to be right up front with you," Eakins told the crowd. "Yes we gave a commitment when we approved the (chronic care facility), and no, it has not been met, not as yet."

Eakins has never hidden from the fact that a commitment has been made, he said. "I don't like commitments that are made and not carried through."

Haliburton is not the only area that has had projects put on hold because of the provincial review of its previous commitments, said Eakins. "But one area is just as important as another."

The Premier appointed an indepent-ent council to advise the province on the direction that health care in Ontario should take in the future and Eakins said that evidence indicates beds alone are not the only measure. "I believe that whatever we build, we should ensure it's the right thing before the shovel goes into the ground."

Eakins provided copies of the five recommendations issued by the Premier's health council and said the focus must be on meeting the needs of the community.

Seventy-five per cent of the members of the local review committee, under the direction of the District Health Council, will be residents of the county, said Eakins. "Your views will be incorporated in the review process." He said the recommendations of the review, "must be implemented."

"Rural Ontario will not be second class," Eakins promised. He said areas like Haliburton are entitled to be served according to their needs.

However the community representatives who spoke after Eakins made it quite clear that they didn't need a review

(more on page 14)

A cold, wet wind blew as *The Last Post* was played on Saturday as part of the Remeberance Day ceremonies. Members of Minden Legion Branch 636 gathered at the Cairn to honour those who died

Santa Claus is coming to Minden

The final confirmations with the North Pole have been made.

Santa Claus will be in Minden on Dec. 2 and the Lions are organizing a parade to escort him into the village in grand fashion.

Lion Bill Stackhouse made a call to the North Pole last Saturday to make the final arrangements for Santa's visit. Santa is looking forward to meeting all the kids in the area to prepare his Christmas list and is anxious to ride along with Rudolph and the other reindeer at the end of the parade.

Local businesses and service clubs are showing great support for the parade that will welcome Mr. Claus to town, said Stackhouse. At least 25 floats will make the trek through the village that afternoon as part of the first Santa Claus Parade this community has hosted.

All the floats for the parade will gather at the corner of McKnight Drive and Main Street shortly after noon in preparation for the 1 p.m. start. The parade will wind along Main Street and end up at the Minden Curling Club, where the Kinsmen will have refreshments ready for all the participants.

Immediately after the parade, Santa will be taken back through town to the Fire Hall where, with the help of his elves and the Lions clowns, he will greet the children. The doors to the Fire Hall be open from 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Stackhouse and Lion Brian Moore said they are pleased with the response from the community towards this parade. Although it is being headed up by the Lions, they say this is a community event that involves most of the service clubs and many businesses.

The parade is designed to build the Christmas spirit in downtown Minden, said Moore, "but the bottom line is a good day for the kids."

Although a deadline to enter floats in the parade had been set, the organizers say they are willing to accept late entries. Anyone interested in participating in the parade should contact Lion Brian Moore at 286-4982 during the day. Lion Bill Stackhouse can be contacted at 286-2040 in the evenings.

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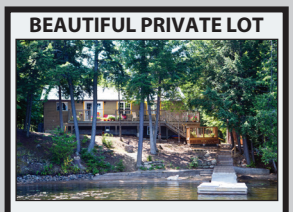

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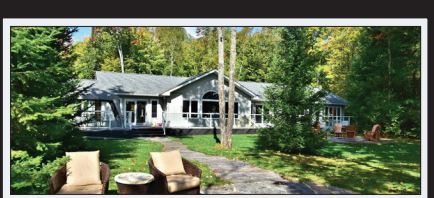

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$999,900

Colbourne Lake

25 Acres with 300 ft of frontage. 4 BR, 2 bath log home/cottage. Open concept living. Warp around covered deck, private boat launch. Heated workshop, garage and bunkie.
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